

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2338 - SB 2200

January 25, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Redefines one of the grounds for the initiation of termination of parental rights proceedings concerning placement of a child outside the care, custody, or control of a parent or guardian by any court order, for a period of six months, and the parent or guardian fails to remedy the persistent conditions that preclude the child's safe placement with the parent or guardian.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The change in language of one of the grounds for termination of parental rights will not significantly increase the caseloads of the state trial and appellate courts.
- According to the Department of Children's Services, the provisions of the bill will not result in an increase in the number of children who enter state custody.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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